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TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1891.

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1891.

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Hongkong, 14th February, 1882.

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Hongkong, 10th July, 1891.

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Hongkong, 11th August, 1891.

ISSUE OF £500,000 FIVE AND A HALF DOLLARS
PER CENT. MORTGAGE DEBENTURES
OF £250 EACH.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
named Lodge will be held in the FREEMAS-
ONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the
16th September, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,
LIMITED.

ISSUE OF £500,000 FIVE AND A HALF DOLLARS
PER CENT. MORTGAGE DEBENTURES
OF £250 EACH.

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of
£100,000 in £ per cent. Mortgage Debentures
of £250 each. The debentures are issued in
order to repay the money temporarily bor-
rowed by the Company.

The loan will be secured by a floating first
charge on the undertaking of the Company and
all its property present and future, including any
eventual increase of capital for the time being.

The Debentures are issued at par, but any
application containing an offer of a premium will
receive consideration at the hands of the Direc-
tors, but this shall not affect the right of the
Directors to accept any tender they may see fit.

No tenders will be accepted below par.

The Debentures will be issued bearing a face
value of £250 each payable to bearer and
carrying interest from the 1st day of October,
1891 at the rate of 5% per cent per annum,
payable half-yearly on the 1st day of April and
the 1st day of October at the Office of the Hong-
kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong-
kong, or its branches, at the current rate of
Exchange upon presentation of the Coupons
attached to the debenture. The terms of sub-
scription for each debenture are as follows:—5%
per cent. on application and the balance on 1st
day of October, 1891.

Where no allotment is made, the actual
amount paid will be returned in full without any
deduction but without any interest, and where
the number of debentures allotted is less than the
number applied for that surplus will be credited
in reduction of the amount payable on allotment
and any excess returned. Failure to pay any
instalment when due will render the allotment
liable to cancellation and previous payments to
forfeiture.

The debentures shall be redeemable at par in
the amounts and at the time following, £1.—
£100,000 thereof on 1st day of October, 1894;
£100,000 on 1st day of October, 1897;
£100,000 on 1st day of October, 1899; and
£100,000 on 1st day of October, 1901.

The numbers of such debentures as will be
paid off will be drawn at the periods aforesaid
and public notice will be given of the day
and time fixed for such drawing at least Seven
days before such drawing.

Tenders in the annexed form should be filled
up and sent to the Company's Secretary on or
before the 15th day of September, 1891 accom-
panied by a deposit of 5% per cent. upon each
debenture applied for.

The form and conditions of the debentures can
be seen at the Company's Office and at the
offices of Messrs. Wootton and Deacon, the
Company's Solicitors.

By order of the Board of Directors
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1891.

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THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,
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Hongkong, 10th August, 1891.

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LONDON, HONGKONG AND AMOY,
NATURAL APERIENT WATERS.

ON THE CHOICE OF A WATER.
EXTRACT from the "London Medical Register," May 20th, 1890, by Geo. HERRICK, M.D. (London).

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The advantages of one mineral water over another may be put under the following heads:

1.—Smallness of dose.

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On examining the chief waters on the English market with a view of making a selection, one is struck with the fact that a newly-imported water, the "Franz Josef," contains 100 and 1/2 grains to the pound of Sulphates of Magnesia and Soda respectively. This is much in excess of the quantities contained by either "Humaydi Janes," "Friedrichshall," or "Aesculap." It is evidently the strongest water by far, whilst at the same time it fortunately happens to be almost tasteless."

Price, cents 50 per bottle; per dozen \$5.50.

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In ordering it is only necessary to state the name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted, and initial letter for quality desired.

Orders through Local Post or by Telegram receive prompt attention.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use.)

Per dozen
Per Case
Per Box

A Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capsule	.....	\$1.00
B Vintage, Superior quality, Red Capsule	.....	1.10
C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	.....	1.25
D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled)	.....	1.50

SHERRIES.

A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule	.....	6
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	.....	7.50
C Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule	.....	10
CC Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule	.....	10
D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule	.....	12.00

E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)

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Per Case
Per Box

CLARETS.

A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule	\$4
B St. Estephe, Red Capsule	4.50
C St. Julien	.....	7
D La Rose	.....	11

Per Case
Per Box

BRANDY.

A Hennemy's Old Pale, Red Capsule	.....	\$12
B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule	.....	14
C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule	.....	15
D Hennemy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1878 Vintage, Red Capsule	.....	24

Per Case
Per Box

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule	.....	8
B Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark	.....	8
C Watson's Abelour-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	.....	8
D Watson's H. K. D. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule	.....	10

Per Case
Per Box

IRISH WHISKY.

A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule	.....	8
B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule	.....	10
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule	12
D John Jameson's Special Blend, Red Capsule, with Name	10

Per Case
Per Box

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A Fine Old Tonic, White Capsule	4.50
B Vine Unsweetened, White Capsule	4.50
C Fine A. V. H. Geneva.....	5.5	5.50

Per Case
Per Box

RUM.

A Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule	.....	12
B Good Lizard Island	.....	\$1.50 per Gallon

LIQUEURS.

Benedictine Maraschino Curacao	Herring's Cherry Cordial
Chartreuse Dr. Siegen's Angostura Bitters, &c.	

Per Case
Per Box

DEATHS.

At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on the 16th August, JOHN ROSS WEYSE, late officer in the Royal Engineers, aged 35 years.

At Shanghai, on the 19th August, 1891, HENRY PULLER, aged 45 years.

At Shanghai, on the 21st instant, JOSEPH VALLET, a native of Mauritius.

At Shanghai, GEORGE LEWIS, a native of Carmarthen, aged about 58. (Australian and South Wales papers please copy.)

On the 21st July, at 12, Inverness-Terminus, London, CLARA, widow of the late Sir John Smale, Chief Justice of Hongkong, and daughter of Halsey Janes, Esq., of Stamford Hill, in her 74th year.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1891.

TELEGRAMS.

CONTINENTAL CORN MARKETS.

LONDON, August 16th.

The corn markets on the Continent are greatly excited consequent on the abnormal rise in the price of rye, which is now dearer than wheat.

ARMY MEDICAL RANK.

August 17th.

A Royal warrant has been issued relative to the Medical rank in the Army.

SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

The International Socialist Congress has been opened at Brussels, and the members have resolved to exclude the Anarchist delegates from taking part in the proceedings.

THE REBELLION IN CHILI.

August 22nd.

Ten thousand insurgents have landed near Valparaiso and attacked President Balmaceda's forces. A decisive battle is imminent.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ACCORDING to latest advices from the North the Chinese Yangtze square was at Nanking.

Mr. W. DANIEL, late chief officer of the steamer *Kaifeng*, has been appointed captain of the *Tamis*.

A REPORT that a diamond mine has been discovered in the vicinity of the Happy Valley needs confirmation.

OUR "Special Commissioner's" report of a recent visit to the Balmoral mine has been crowded out of this issue. We shall find room for it to-morrow.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Bateman's educational project has met with most gratifying success—and all in spite of his lordship the Bishop.

A VERY interesting memorial from the Tsung-lu man to the Emperor, on the subject of the recent outrages on the Yangtze, is published in another part of this issue.

AN Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Friday, the 28th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE Mercury learns from the North that some of the bridges required for the railway extension to Shan-hai-kwan have been commenced, and that it is intended to finish the whole line within about 12 months.

CAPTAIN PIORKOWSKI, of the German army, who has been for some months past engaged on behalf of China, surveying the Russian-Chinese frontier of the Shingking province, with a view to its adequate fortification, has returned to Shanghai.

A WOMAN named Tieng Shap Pat was charged before Mr. Wise this morning with having run a sly-grog shanty within two doors of the Van-mei-ti police station. Not having shacks numbering ten times ten in her reticule, she went to durance vile and oakum for one month.

THE Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Manila scandal from the pen of a Madrid correspondent who supports the Bank's pretensions against those of Jardine & Co., will appear in our next issue. So will a letter from the other side, which came to hand by French mail this afternoon.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening, commencing at 8 p.m.—

March, "Op 51"..... Schubert
"Der Rossmärkte"..... Lanner
"Valse"..... Lippe
"Serenade"..... Lippe
"Gavotte"..... Lecocq.

SAVES the Officer Poetically.—

These are the melancholy days—the saddest in the year—

A little too warm for whiskey and a little too sticky for beer.

We confidently recommend "square-face" and bitters. Amen.

THE Eastern and Australian Steamship Co. are informed on reliable authority, has recently completed arrangements for the construction of two first-class passenger steamers, of heavy power and with every recent improvement, for their line between Hongkong and the Australasian Colonies.

MR. HENRY PULLER, whose death is recorded in another column, was a well-known and popular man throughout the North, having a host of friends at both Shanghai and Hankow. His funeral, which took place on the 20th inst., was largely attended by the most influential residents of the Model Settlement.

A GUNNER named Loveless, belonging to the company of Royal Artillery now stationed at the Ly-ee-moon, was drowned last night whilst bathing. It appears that the deceased, although unable to swim, dived into deep water, and never rose again. Two of his comrades made all efforts to rescue him, but were unsuccessful. The body has not yet been recovered.

AN open air variety concert was given by the musical members of the A. & S. Highlanders Scandal Point last night. The programme consisted of songs, solos and glee, and was well rendered. Step dancing was also indulged in, and was exceptionally good. The Scotch reels especially being executed in capital style. There was a large, well-attended and highly appreciative audience.

A MAN named Pease, employed by Messrs. Monte

Melbourne is rising. Fears of another flood are entertained. At Walhalla, Gippsland Ranges, the township is completely flooded, four lives have been lost, and still greater loss of life is feared.

MORANT, August 3d.
The Bank of Van Dieman's Land, the capital of which is £100,000, suspended payment this morning. There is great excitement, but no details are yet to hand.

PERTH, W.A., August 3d.
A horrible accident occurred at York last evening. A guard named Gullifield was letting down a lamp through the roof of a railway carriage in motion, when he slipped off and fell on to the rails. The train passed over him and completely severed the head from the body besides mauling the body in a shocking manner.

AUCKLAND, August 3d.
Two of the crew of the *Wakato River* steamer, in order to warm themselves made a charcoal fire in the forecastle, and some time afterwards one of them was found dead, and the other so nearly suffocated that he was only revived with great difficulty.

LONDON, August 3d.
It has been arranged that Hall and Flit-simmons are to meet at the California Athletic Club's rooms within a month.

Pritchard has received a cable from New Orleans offering to put up 10,000 pounds of the funds of the Commercial Bank, Sydney, has been arrested in London.

A terrible collision has occurred at Fort Byron, America, by which eleven persons were killed and fifty injured.

Higgins, the Leeds parachutist, is dead. He was killed by falling a thousand feet from one of his aerial traps.

Owing to the large influx of Russian Jews into the United States the American Government has informed the Jewish body in America that the immigration of Russian paupers to the States is contrary to the laws.

A terrible outrage has occurred in Virginia, where 50 drunken Italians attacked a man and cut the throats of a father and two sons, the mother, and three younger sons. They afterwards plundered and fired the house. The citizens are furious and parties are searching the country with a view to capturing and lynching the murderers.

August 4th.
Heavy thunderstorms have occurred in England, and a number of people have been killed by lightning. Great damage has been done to crops.

A brigand who has committed a murder has been captured in Austria.

Lord Tennyson is heading a great movement to assist the Gordon Boys' Home.

The Indian budget for the current year shows a surplus of £1,000,000 rupees.

A fire at Rathnoed, in Prussia, destroyed the whole supplies of the 3rd army corps. The loss is estimated at 1,500,000 marks.

MELBOURNE, August 5th.
The Flood Relief Fund now amounts to £14,000.

Heavy floods continue in various parts of the colony. The town of Bacchus Marsh is inundated, and further serious washways have taken place on the overland railway line. The train is now taking the Geelong route. Serious damage has been occasioned, and several persons have been drowned. The Walhalla mines have been inundated, and two miners have been killed through a fall of ground.

SYDNEY, August 5th.
A Representing People's Bill has been introduced by the N. S. Wales Government which wipes out every qualification except that of residence, and extends the franchise to the police and military.

Harry Stockdale and party left here by the steamer *Memphis* to open up a traffic in ponies and buffalo hides at Port Essington. In the Northern Territory, they having secured a lease of the property on which these animals are supposed to run.

The rumour current during the week that Sir Henry Parkes intended to retire from political life, has now been authoritatively denied.

Watson, one of the prisoners who escaped from Braidwood Gaol last week, has been captured in the ranges after a desperate chase extending over six days.

An old man, seventy years of age, has been run over by the North Shore train.

LONDON, August 5th.
An order has been issued for the winding up of the River Plate Bank. A statement of the Bank's affairs show the liabilities to be five millions sterling. The assets are stated at seven millions, but they consist chiefly of Argentine securities.

The chimney of an iron foundry at Hantzen, Belgium, has fallen, the mass of iron wrecking several buildings in the vicinity. Eighteen persons were killed.

Spurgeon is recovering from his late serious illness.

Further disclosures have been made in Canada regarding the wide prevalence of a wholesale system of bribery and political corruption. The revelations are exciting great public indignation, and the press demands the most searching investigation, and the punishment, where possible, of the offenders, regardless of social position.

Two men have just failed in an attempt to swim from Dover to Ramsgate, the water proving too cold.

Stanley, the explorer, has met with an accident resulting in the fracture of one of his ankles; his proposed trip to Australia on a lecturing tour has consequently been postponed.

Mitchell of Sydney, has arranged a powerful syndicate to undertake the establishment of extensive iron foundry works at Newcastle.

Farrell will probably be adjudicated insolvent shortly, on account of the costs connected with the recent O'Shea divorce proceedings.

The Crown Prince of Naples is visiting England.

The death is announced of Ferdinand, fourth Grand Duke of Tuscany.

Tremendous rains with heavy floods are reported from Bombay. Several villages have been swept away, and three hundred natives drowned.

An immense number of old gold coins, valued at a million sterling, have been accidentally discovered buried beneath a ruin in Prussian Silesia. They were issued during the fifteenth century.

The United States and Spain have signed a commercial treaty whereby each country is granted many privileges as against our countries.

The Russian Government has issued an imperative edict ordering all Jews to quit Moscow by a certain date.

It is now currently reported that France and Russia have concluded a friendly alliance.

Russia is constructing a dry dock at Sebastopol.

Lord Westmorland is dead.

The rebellion in Chile still continues, and latterly the rebel forces have been generally victorious.

ADELAIDE, August 15th.
Mr. Solomon introduced his Chinese Secret Societies Bill on Wednesday. The Minister of Education and the Hon. J. L. Parsons spoke in support of the measure. Mr. Solomon quoted opinions obtained from the Government Resident, and Messrs. Felsche, Symes, Peter, and Mayhew, going to show the existence of a civil effect of secret organisations among the Chinese in the Territory. The second reading of the Bill was

passed without a division, and the measure is now being discussed in committee. Some remarks on the question in the Government Resident's telegram caused considerable amusement in the House.

In the House yesterday Mr. Solomon introduced his measure for the abolition of capital punishment. He spoke for over an hour, dealing with the subject critically. The speech was well received, and the subject is exciting a considerable amount of interest. It is expected that the measure will be well supported.

MELBOURNE, August 13th.

A serious quarrel has taken place between the Minister for Railways and the Commissioners, which has led to startling exposures of terrible discrepancies between estimated and actual cost of various lines of railway. It is shown that an estimated expenditure of seven millions in railway construction will be in reality nearly double that amount. The revelations also show that the general management is outrageously expensive and inefficient. A Royal Commission will probably be appointed immediately to make a full inquiry into the whole matter. The deficit in the Treasury amounts to three quarters of a million. The situation is viewed with serious alarm. Business is much depressed, and failures are numerous.

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Hurricanes and floods are reported from Lower Australia. Immense damage to property has been done, and hundreds of persons have been rendered homeless.

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Two men have just failed in an attempt to swim from Dover to Ramsgate, the water proving too cold.

Stanley, the explorer, has met with an accident resulting in the fracture of one of his ankles; his proposed trip to Australia on a lecturing tour has consequently been postponed.

Mitchell of Sydney, has arranged a powerful syndicate to undertake the establishment of extensive iron foundry works at Newcastle.

Farrell will probably be adjudicated insolvent shortly, on account of the costs connected with the recent O'Shea divorce proceedings.

The Crown Prince of Naples is visiting England.

The death is announced of Ferdinand, fourth Grand Duke of Tuscany.

Tremendous rains with heavy floods are reported from Bombay. Several villages have been swept away, and three hundred natives drowned.

An immense number of old gold coins, valued at a million sterling, have been accidentally discovered buried beneath a ruin in Prussian Silesia. They were issued during the fifteenth century.

The United States and Spain have signed a commercial treaty whereby each country is granted many privileges as against our countries.

The Russian Government has issued an imperative edict ordering all Jews to quit Moscow by a certain date.

It is now currently reported that France and Russia have concluded a friendly alliance.

Russia is constructing a dry dock at Sebastopol.

Lord Westmorland is dead.

The rebellion in Chile still continues, and latterly the rebel forces have been generally victorious.

ADELAIDE, August 15th.
Mr. Solomon introduced his Chinese Secret Societies Bill on Wednesday. The Minister of Education and the Hon. J. L. Parsons spoke in support of the measure. Mr. Solomon quoted opinions obtained from the Government Resident, and Messrs. Felsche, Symes, Peter, and Mayhew, going to show the existence of a civil effect of secret organisations among the Chinese in the Territory. The second reading of the Bill was

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A terrible collision has occurred at Fort Byron, America, by which eleven persons were killed and fifty injured.

Higgins, the Leeds parachutist, is dead. He was killed by falling a thousand feet from one of his aerial traps.

Owing to the large influx of Russian Jews into the United States the American Government has informed the Jewish body in America that the immigration of Russian paupers to the States is contrary to the laws.

A terrible outrage has occurred in Virginia, where 50 drunken Italians attacked a man and cut the throats of a father and two sons, the mother, and three younger sons. They afterwards plundered and fired the house. The citizens are furious and parties are searching the country with a view to capturing and lynching the murderers.

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EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 3/21
Bank Bills, on demand 3/21
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/28
Credits at 4 months' sight 3/3
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/3
ON PARIS—
Bank, Bills, on demand 4/3
Credits at 4 months' sight 4/11
ON India, T. T. 2/21
ON Demand 2/22
ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 7/18
Private, to day's sight 7/21

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

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MAURITIUS, French steamer, 2/23, Bevilious, 21st August—Shanghai 22nd August, Mails and General—Messageries Maritimes.

JOHANN, German steamer, 4/7, H. Blinge, 25th August—Touraine 1/14, General—Weller & Co.

DORA FOREST, British steamer, 1/5/2, David Morgan, 25th August—New York 27th June, General—Mitsui Boston Kaihatsu.

YUNMENG, British steamer, 1/15/2, Slesar, 25th August—Whampoa 25th August, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LEXIYUN, Chinese steamer, 25th August—from Tientsin.

TAIHLI, British steamer, 1/20, Hunter, 25th August—Tianwanfu 20th August—Amoy 21st, and Swatow 21st, General—D. Lepak & Co.

WIMPOLE, British steamer, 1/23, Clegg, 25th August—Swatow 24th August, General—Batterfield & Swire.

HARFONG, French steamer, 1/24, Bony, 25th August—Hai Phong 22nd August, and Holow 24th, General—Messageries Maritimes.

PAKHAM, British steamer, 1/25, Jenkins, 25th August—Swatow 24th August, General—Hup Hing Hong.

SYDNEY, French steamer, 2/13, Delacroix, 25th August—Marseilles 26th July—Singapore 15th August and Saigon 10th, Mails and General—Messageries Maritimes.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Prize, Danish steamer, for Holow, &c. Name, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. Actie, Danish steamer, for Holow, &c. Lyse-moon, German steamer, for Shanghai. Zafiro, British steamer, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

August 25, Chingwo, British steamer, for Yokohama, &c. Doria, German steamer, for Hongkong. August 26, Chelydra, British steamer, for Singapore, &c. August 26, Edendale, British steamer, for Kuchinotra. August 26, Lyse-moon, German steamer, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVALS.

Per Melbourn, str., from Shanghai for Hongkong—Mrs. Tung Ping, E. and amah, Miss A. Xavier, Messrs. T. Gichan, Girault, C. E. Roach, and 2 Chinese. From Yokohama—Mr. Anson, from Kobe—Messrs. Delmas, Sugimura, Osakishi, and Kumeura, Zikai, from Shanghai for Saigon—Mr. Chi Durin, and 7 sailors. For Singapore—Mr. E. Thurborn, For Marseilles—Messrs. John Malby, E. Fuller, M. Mignot, and A. W. Sales. From Yokohama—Messrs. Essohby, Abdoolhussain and E. A. Bawis. For Marseilles—Messrs. N. Zebiro and Okuboro. From Kobe for Singapore—Mr. Camas.

Per Fushun, str., from Shanghai—91 Chinese.

Per Thales, str., from Tainanfoo, &c.—16 Chinese.

Per Whampoa, str., from Swatow—250 Chinese.

Per Haiphong, str., from Haiphong, &c.—Messrs. Fornel and European servant, Ricolan, and 28 Chinese. From Holow—6 Chinese. From Haiphong for Marseilles—Mr. Bourgouin.

Per Sydney, str., from Marseilles for Hongkong—Messrs. Lucien Gaston, and Marion. From Colombo—Messrs. W. M. Picktall and C. J. Pischaud. From Singapore—6 Chinese. From Saigon—Dr. W. and Mrs. Henry, Pers Malite, and 8 Chinese. From Marseilles for Shanghai—Peter Francisco Wary. For Kobe—Mr. S. A. Armar. For Yokohama—Messrs. Tomonari, Kataoka, Nastaru, Heck, Coetzer, Schwendemann, Gutheleben, Boman, Ostkawa, Gernika Podocin, and K. Yoshimatsu. From Singapore—Mr. St. Martin. From Salmon—Messrs. Nicolai, Garas, and Chaperon.

REPORTS.

The Chinese steamship Fushun reports that she left Shanghai on the 21st instant. Had fine weather throughout.

The British steamship Thales reports that left Tainanfoo on the 20th instant. Amoy on the 21st, and Swatow on the 24th. From Tainanfoo to Swatow had light south-westerly winds and fine clear weather. From Swatow to Hongkong had fresh north-east to north-west winds with variable weather, and heavy easterly swell to Chidang Point; thence to port had light westerly winds, cloudy and heavy swell. In Swatow the steamship Pao Chong Kiao and Taitang.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Tamsui—Per Smith to-morrow, the 26th instant, at 10.30 A.M.

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For Europe, S.E. Australia, India, etc. Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius—Per Metheiros to-morrow, the 26th instant, at 11.00 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 3/5, H. Hygum, 24th August—Fakhol 21st August, and Holow 23rd, General—A. R. Mart.

AMIGO, German steamer, 7/1, C. G. Kreidner, 22nd August—Saigon 18th August, Rice—Weller & Co.

ASAIO, Japanese steamer, 1/21, H. Selek, 23rd August—Nanking 17th August, Coal—Mitsui-Susani Kaihatsu.

BELGIC, British steamer, 2/6/2, W. H. Walker, 24th August—San Francisco 30th July, and Yokohama 18th August, Mails and General—O. & O. S. Co.

CLARA, German steamer, 6/5, H. Island, 22nd August—Haiphong 10th August, and Holow 21st, General—A. R. Mart.

DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1/17, W. Dine, 18th August—Saigon 14th August, Rice—Slemens & Co.

EMPIRE OF INDIA, British steamer, 3/20, O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., 20th August—Vancouver 29th July, Yokohama 13th, and Shanghai 17th, General—Dowdell, Carill, & Co.

EMPEROR OF CHINA, British steamer, 3/20, A. Tillett, 22nd August—Liverpool 15th July, General—Dowdell, Carill, & Co.

ESMERALDA, British steamer, 6/6, G. A. Taylor, 21st August—Manila 18th August, General—Shaw & Co.

FAIR, British steamer, 1/17, Lieut. Wm. G. Conley, R.N.R.—Hongkong Government tender.

FREE, Danish steamer, 2/17, C. J. Strand, 24th August—Fakhol 21st August, and Holow 23rd, General—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

GUT MANNERING, British steamer, 1/29, D. Ford, 20th August—Oman 10th August, Coal—Batterfield & Swire.

HAILOONG, British steamer, 7/1, J. Roach, 20th August—Tamsui 14th August, Amoy 17th, and Swatow 18th, General—D. Lepak & Co.

HAIYONG, British steamer, 1/12, H. C. A. Harris, 21st August—Fochow 16th Aug., Amoy 17th, and Swatow 20th, General—D. Lepak & Co.

HONG KENG, British steamer, 6/2, H. Dene, 22nd August—Bangkok 10th Aug., General—Yuen Fat Hong.

MAKTRA, German steamer, 1/18, Ahrendt, 18th August—Moj 12th August, Coal—Weller & Co.

MONOKUT, British steamer, 5/9, C. Anderson, 12th August—Yokohama 22nd July, and Kobe 21st August, Amoy 17th, and Swatow 20th, General—D. Lepak & Co.

PAK HUNG, British steamer, 1/20, H. Craig, 24th August—Sydney 31st July, Brisbane 3rd August, Townsville 1st, Cooktown 7th, Thursday Island 10th, Port Essington 12th, and Port Darwin 15th, Coal and General—Gibb & Co.

PAK YUN, British steamer, 1/21, C. Anderson, 12th August—Yokohama 22nd July, and Kobe 21st August, Amoy 17th, and Swatow 20th, General—D. Lepak & Co.

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